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**APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. §111(a) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a utility patent application of:

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for: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING CROSS-BENEFITS VIA A CENTRAL AUTHORITY

This application is a:  CONTINUATION  
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of prior application no(s).: 09/219,267 filed December 23, 1998 which is a CIP of 08/943,483 filed October 3, 1997 which is a CIP of 08/923,683 filed September 4, 1997 which is a CIP of 08/889,319 filed July 8, 1997 which is a CIP of 5,794,207 issued August 11, 1998 which is a CIP of 09/100,684 filed June 19, 1998 which is a CIP of 08/982,149 filed December 1, 1997 which is a CIP of 08/994,426 filed December 19, 1997 which is a CIP of 08/920,116 filed August 26, 1997 which is a CIP of 08/822,709 filed March 21, 1997.

With respect to the inventorship of the co-pending parent application, from which this application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120, the inventor(s) in this application is (are) less than those named in the co-pending parent application and the following inventor(s) should be deleted from this application:

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X	52 Page Application, including 18 pages of claims and 1 page of Abstract
X	25 Sheets of formal drawings/Figs. 1-22
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